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	Males	Females	Persons		Building Work Approved	New Dwellings in Houses and Flats Completed	
	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	£ thousand	Number	
Year :	1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	1944-45	536.0	247.9	783.9	4,721	n.a.	n.a.
	1945-46	618.5	242.3	860.8	4,980	n.a.	5,500†
	1946-47	671.8	252.1	923.9	5,851	48,925‡	12,344‡
	1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,970	53,440	15,415
	1948-49	705.5	263.8	969.3	8,105	66,146	18,758
	1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	8,988	83,981	19,841
	1950-51	758.2	291.0	1,049.2	n.y.a.	118,493	20,737p
1950 :	July	740.4	279.0	1,019.4	9,989	8,785	4,995
	Aug.	742.8	279.6	1,022.4		8,968	
	Sept.	744.9	281.7	1,026.6	11,189	9,236	5,983
	Oct.	746.2	285.7	1,031.9		10,285	
	Nov.	748.3	289.2	1,037.5		9,663	
	Dec.	751.4	289.8	1,041.2		7,541	
1951 :	Jan.	752.1	284.9	1,037.0	11,387	8,498	4,610
	Feb.	754.4	288.3	1,042.7		9,377	
	Mar.	752.2	288.8	1,041.0	n.y.a.	12,927	5,149p
	Apr.	755.9	290.2	1,046.1		10,467	
	May	757.9	291.0	1,048.9	n.y.a.	11,920	n.y.a.
	June	758.2	291.0	1,049.2		10,826	
	July	758.4	291.2	1,049.6	n.y.a.	11,284	n.y.a.
	Aug.	758.7	292.6	1,051.3		10,493	
	Sept.	756.5	292.8	1,049.3		10,340	

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Period	Wool Sold at Auction *	Oversea Trade (Merchandise only)		Major Private Trading Banks*		Savings Bank Deposits	
		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances		
		£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year :	1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
	1944-45	22,622§	112.8	60.8	225.2	83.4	198.2
	1945-46	23,276§	86.1	76.4	237.2	90.6	236.2
	1946-47	32,910	93.0	116.5	244.3	116.5	231.4
	1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
	1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
	1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
	1950-51	228,204	301.7	325.6	467.9	197.9	284.5
1950 :	July	561	21.1	15.9	389.0	170.3	260.0
	Aug.	8,047	25.4	13.1	386.8	169.7	259.0
	Sept.	17,833	24.7	13.3	388.7	170.9	259.7
	Oct.	27,230	21.4	30.5	406.5	175.8	259.3
	Nov.	32,643	21.6	32.6	423.7	183.5	259.0
	Dec.	9,696	18.8	28.1	438.0	190.9	260.1
1951 :	Jan.	37,013	26.3	34.2	443.4	183.7	261.7
	Feb.	37,081	26.7	27.7	461.5	193.1	264.2
	Mar.	20,524	23.4	33.3	489.7	200.0	278.7
	Apr.	16,751	27.1	44.6	494.4	191.4	279.4
	May	14,731	32.4	28.9	490.4	190.3	279.8
	June	6,094	32.8	23.4	467.9	197.9	284.5
	July	349	32.1	17.9	456.0	201.9	285.5
	Aug.	4,947	34.1	10.9	453.4	206.5	287.4
	Sept.	11,031	36.2	12.0	446.7	219.1	288.9

* See notes to relevant table.

† Houses only.

‡ Partly estimated

§ Includes equalisation payments.

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13.		17.	22.	22.	22.	Table No.
N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons	
186.7	14,679	28,335	11,196**	1,948	1,168†	1938-39: Year
254.1	17,793	2,785	11,096	2,877	1,346†	1944-45
267.4	15,872	3,814	10,030	2,832	1,054†	1945-46
261.6	16,539	13,608	11,212	3,229	1,312†	1946-47
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343†	1947-48
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1948-49
258.2	15,890	61,656	11,290	3,758	1,266	1949-50
268.6	17,131	76,172	12,683	4,259	1,405	1950-51
22.8	1,371	6,672	1,042	385	104	July: 1950
22.0	1,596	7,264	1,229	381	125	Aug.
22.4	1,528	7,231	1,152	355	136	Sept.
22.9	1,524	7,002	1,203	353	133	Oct.
21.5	1,632	7,583	1,211	348	131	Nov.
21.7	1,364	6,053	980	334	118	Dec.
23.4	1,171	5,028	552	329	93	Jan.: 1951
20.9	1,235	5,996	870	318	97	Feb.
22.5	1,283	5,474	1,007	351	107	Mar.
24.1	1,424	5,926	1,124	357	129	Apr.
22.5	1,563	6,453	1,168	368	117	May
21.9	1,440	5,490	1,145	380	115	June
23.2	1,578	6,080	1,270	406	111	July
21.4	1,660	6,276	1,338	408	138	Aug.
21.9	1,555	5,689	1,199	371	132	Sept.

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Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts.*	Sydney Stock Exchange	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : "C" Series All Items (Sydney) Index *	Basic Wage, Sydney	Period
	Share Values				Adult Males *	
Weekly Average —£ million.	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 100	Average 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	
n.a.	175.6	35,272	101	928	81||	1938-39: Year
n.a.	192.2	23,350	141	1142	99||	1944-45
n.a.	210.2	35,660	141	1151	99||	1945-46
58	240.0	57,899	143	1182	108||	1946-47
69	262.6	60,202	159	1259	114||	1947-48
83	258.2	62,229	181	1378	124||	1948-49
105	270.0	125,952	205	1504	135||	1949-50
145	334.1	192,311	246	1729	173||	1950-51
121	289.1	15,240	223		138	July: 1950
109	296.9	15,021	227	1613	142	Aug.
126	306.4	15,813	228		142	Sept.
136	312.1	13,941	232	1680	142	Oct.
148	334.8	13,240	237		146	Nov.
158	334.9	15,623	237		165	Dec.
132	346.9	17,300	243	1749	165	Jan.: 1951
161	349.3	15,778	253		173	Feb.
160	350.3	14,979	268	1875	173	Mar.
161	356.1	14,735	261		173	Apr.
167	365.7	21,697	266	2007	180	May
168	366.6	18,944	277		180	June
159	363.1	20,955	283r	2007	180	July
142	350.1	20,742	291		193	Aug.
153	333.6	17,064	292		193	Sept.

† Year ended 31st May. || Operative from February. ** Year ended 31st December, 1939.

2. Population, Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Migration, New South Wales

Period	Fepulation at end of Period			Live Births	Deaths	Net Immigration	Marriages
	Males	Females	Persons				
	Number						
Year : 1939	1,393,358	1,373,057	2,766,415	48,003	26,815	8,044*	25,471
1947	1,504,350	1,503,232	3,007,582	69,398	28,449	4,277*	30,172
1948	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	67,234	30,403	17,931	30,164
1949	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	68,812	29,364	74,143	28,757
1950	1,649,479	1,628,547	3,278,026	71,592	30,965	61,464	30,036
1949 : Mar. Qr.	1,545,909	1,540,471	3,086,380	16,397	6,392	14,031	7,484
June Qr.	1,561,592	1,552,067	3,113,659	16,974	7,476	17,781	7,404
Sept. Qr.	1,574,988	1,564,163	3,139,151	18,267	8,542	15,767	6,121
Dec. Qr.	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	17,174	6,954	26,564	7,748
1950 : Mar. Qr.	1,610,106	1,593,872	3,203,978	17,888	6,661	16,816	7,940
June Qr.	1,621,456	1,603,786	3,225,242	17,715	7,482	11,031	7,636
Sept. Qr.	1,631,706	1,612,880	3,244,586	18,123	9,623	10,844	6,513
Dec. Qr.	1,649,479	1,628,547	3,278,026	17,866	7,199	22,773	7,947
1951 : Mar. Qr.	1,661,946r	1,641,171r	3,303,117r	18,070	6,828	13,849r	7,822
June Qr.	1,669,47C	1,647,712	3,317,182	17,658	7,893	4,300	7,978

* Includes intercensal adjustment.

Population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) was 1,294,080 at 31st December, 1940, and 1,584,830 at 31st December, 1950.

EMPLOYMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES

(1) The following estimates are based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities. (2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month. (3) Workers in rural industry, females in private domestic service, and persons on the paid strength of the defence forces are excluded.

3. Wage and Salary Earners in Employment

(Excluding Rural Workers, Females in Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces)

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Thousands									
1939 : July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943 : July	156.9	46.1	203.0	365.2	207.7	572.9	522.1	253.8	775.9
1945 : Aug.	155.6	42.8	198.4	386.4	205.3	591.7	542.0	248.1	790.1
1946 : June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947 : June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948 : June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949 : May†	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
1950 : Mar.	201.8	38.7	240.5	534.9	240.0	774.9	736.7	278.7	1,015.4
Apr.	202.5	38.5	241.0	534.5	239.0	773.5	737.0	277.5	1,014.5
May	203.2	38.9	242.1	537.5	240.7	778.2	740.7	279.6	1,020.3
June	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
July	203.5	39.3	242.8	536.9	239.7	776.6	740.4	279.0	1,019.4
Aug.	204.4	39.0	243.4	538.4	240.6	779.0	742.8	279.6	1,022.4
1951 : Mar.	206.7	41.1	247.8	545.5	247.7	793.2	752.2	288.8	1,041.0
Apr.	207.8	41.3	249.1	548.1	248.9	797.0	755.9	290.2	1,046.1
May	207.7	41.3	249.0	550.2	249.7	799.9	757.9	291.0	1,048.9
June	207.2	41.4	248.6	551.0	249.6	800.6	758.2	291.0	1,049.2
July	208.2	41.7	249.9	550.2	249.5	799.7	758.4	291.2	1,049.6
Aug.	207.5	41.8	249.3	551.2	250.8	802.0	758.7	292.6	1,051.3

* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities. † June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

4. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups* (Excluding Rural Workers, Females in Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Construction	Transport and Communication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Professional and Personal Services ‡
Thousands								
MALES								
1939 : July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	44.0	56.6
1943 : July	25.1	217.8	30.1	79.9	10.5	22.9	28.7	39.6
1945 : Aug.	24.9	216.9	32.3	86.7	11.4	24.9	30.5	46.5
1946 : June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1
1947 : June	26.6	252.1	55.7	102.8	18.8	37.6	46.4	62.4
1948 : June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5	39.8	49.3	64.7
1949 : May§	27.5	269.5	64.7	111.0	20.4	42.7	50.2	66.5
1950 : Mar.	28.4	274.6	66.7	112.9	21.1	44.2	50.3	68.1
Apr.	28.2	274.2	67.0	114.0	21.1	44.5	50.4	67.4
May	28.2	276.1	68.0	114.0	21.1	44.9	50.4	67.8
June	28.1	277.2	67.9	114.4	21.2	45.2	50.3	67.2
July	28.3	276.8	68.1	114.7	21.2	44.8	50.5	66.7
Aug.	28.5	277.8	69.0	114.5	21.3	44.8	50.5	67.1
1951 : Mar.	28.9	279.3	71.6	114.0	21.7	47.5	51.0	67.6
Apr.	29.1	280.7	72.5	114.6	21.8	47.6	51.0	67.8
May	29.3	281.6	73.1	114.5	21.8	47.9	51.2	67.4
June	29.6	282.4	73.1	114.1	21.8	47.9	51.0	67.2
July	29.5	282.6	74.2	113.6	21.8	47.6	51.1	66.7
Aug.	29.6	282.7	74.5	113.2	21.8	47.9	51.2	66.7
FEMALES								
1939 : July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	36.0	49.1
1943 : July	0.2	94.6	0.7	12.9	9.9	10.7	38.5	65.9
1945 : Aug.	0.2	86.0	0.7	14.6	10.6	10.8	37.8	70.3
1946 : June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	73.3
1947 : June	0.2	86.5	1.0	12.8	10.4	11.9	40.7	77.1
1948 : June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9	12.9	43.0	79.6
1949 : May§	0.3	93.5	1.1	14.6	11.6	13.5	43.4	81.8
1950 : Mar.	0.3	97.0	1.2	15.2	12.6	14.5	43.4	83.8
Apr.	0.3	96.7	1.3	15.2	12.4	14.3	43.4	83.3
May	0.3	97.6	1.3	15.3	12.7	14.2	44.0	83.6
June	0.3	97.2	1.3	15.3	12.6	14.3	43.7	83.1
July	0.3	97.1	1.3	15.3	12.7	14.4	43.7	83.2
Aug.	0.3	97.6	1.4	15.3	12.7	14.5	43.8	83.1
1951 : Mar.	0.3	99.8	1.5	16.0	13.7	16.2	45.6	84.4
Apr.	0.3	101.0	1.5	16.1	13.8	15.9	45.7	84.6
May	0.3	101.9	1.5	16.1	13.9	16.0	45.6	84.3
June	0.3	102.0	1.5	16.1	13.9	16.0	45.9	83.9
July	0.3	102.2	1.5	16.1	13.9	16.0	45.7	83.8
Aug.	0.3	102.7	1.6	16.2	14.0	16.3	45.7	84.2
PERSONS								
1939 : July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	80.0	105.7
1943 : July	25.3	312.4	30.8	92.8	20.4	33.6	67.2	105.5
1945 : Aug.	25.1	302.9	33.0	101.3	22.0	35.7	68.3	116.8
1946 : June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4
1947 : June	26.8	338.6	56.7	115.6	29.2	49.5	87.1	139.5
1948 : June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4	52.7	92.3	144.3
1949 : May§	27.8	363.0	65.8	125.6	32.0	56.2	93.6	148.3
1950 : Mar.	28.7	371.6	67.9	128.1	33.7	58.7	93.7	151.9
Apr.	28.5	370.9	68.3	129.2	33.5	58.8	93.8	150.7
May	28.5	373.7	69.3	129.3	33.8	59.1	94.4	151.4
June	28.4	374.4	69.2	129.7	33.8	59.5	94.0	150.3
July	28.6	373.9	69.4	130.0	33.9	59.2	94.2	149.9
Aug.	28.8	375.4	70.4	129.8	34.0	59.3	94.3	150.2
1951 : Mar.	29.2	379.1	73.1	130.0	35.4	63.7	96.6	152.0
Apr.	29.4	381.7	74.0	130.7	35.6	63.5	96.7	152.4
May	29.6	383.5	74.6	130.6	35.7	63.9	96.8	151.7
June	29.9	384.4	74.6	130.2	35.7	63.9	96.9	151.1
July	29.8	384.8	75.7	129.7	35.7	63.6	96.8	150.5
Aug.	29.9	385.4	76.1	129.4	35.8	64.2	96.9	150.9

* See notes preceding Table 3. Miscellaneous groups (71,100 males, 11,600 females, 82,700 persons in August, 1951) are omitted from this table. † From July, 1949, subject to revision. ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services. § June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

5. Employees in N.S.W. Factories : By Classes of Industry*

(Excludes working proprietors)

Classes	I, II	III	IV	VI	VIII	IX	X, XI	XII	V, VII, XIII—XVI	I—XVI
	Bricks, Cement, Glass, etc.	Chemicals, Oils, Paints, etc.	Metals, Machines, Vehicles, etc.	Textiles and Knitted Goods	Clothing and Footwear	Food, Drink, Tobacco	Sawmills, Woodworking, Furniture, etc.	Paper, Printing, etc.	Other	All Factories
Month	Thousands									
MALES										
1939 : June	11.8	5.2	75.9	5.6	6.9	17.5	13.4	11.3	12.1	159.7
1945 : June	9.1	8.3	124.2	6.8	7.3	20.4	14.3	9.9	14.5	214.8
1947 : June	14.2	9.7	131.5	9.8	10.9	23.2	18.5	14.3	20.0	252.1
1948 : June	14.8	10.7	137.4	10.1	11.2	24.4	20.7	14.6	21.3	265.2
1949 : May †	16.1	11.6	136.9	9.9	11.6	25.7	20.7	15.2	21.8	269.5
1950 : May	16.7	11.7	142.3	9.7	11.5	25.7	21.0	15.4	22.1	276.1
June	16.8	11.6	143.5	9.6	11.4	25.6	21.0	15.5	22.2	277.2
July	16.9	11.6	143.6	9.7	11.5	25.3	20.6	15.6	22.0	276.8
Aug.	16.7	11.6	145.0	9.8	11.4	25.4	20.4	15.6	21.9	277.8
1951 : May	17.3	12.2	146.2	9.8	11.4	25.9	21.4	15.8	21.6	281.6
June	17.3	12.3	146.6	9.9	11.5	26.0	21.1	15.8	21.9	282.4
July	17.3	12.1	146.9	10.0	11.5	26.0	21.0	15.9	21.9	282.6
Aug.	17.3	12.3	147.0	10.0	11.5	25.7	21.1	15.9	21.9	282.7
FEMALES										
1939 : June	0.4	2.7	4.9	9.2	22.8	9.4	1.6	5.3	3.6	59.9
1945 : June	0.8	4.0	21.2	11.5	25.9	11.2	1.6	5.7	5.0	86.9
1947 : June	0.7	4.4	13.6	11.4	31.9	10.6	1.9	6.1	5.9	86.5
1948 : June	0.8	4.4	14.5	11.7	33.6	10.7	2.0	6.1	6.4	90.2
1949 : May †	0.9	4.4	15.5	12.0	34.3	11.4	2.2	6.3	6.5	93.5
1950 : May	1.1	4.6	17.9	12.9	33.6	11.6	2.4	6.6	6.9	97.6
June	1.1	4.7	18.0	12.9	33.3	11.3	2.4	6.6	6.9	97.2
July	1.1	4.6	18.1	12.8	33.2	11.2	2.5	6.7	6.9	97.1
Aug.	1.1	4.6	18.1	12.9	33.7	11.3	2.3	6.7	6.9	97.6
1951 : May	1.2	4.8	19.5	13.7	34.7	11.8	2.4	7.0	6.8	101.9
June	1.2	4.8	19.3	13.7	34.7	11.8	2.4	7.1	7.0	102.0
July	1.2	4.8	19.5	13.7	34.9	11.6	2.4	7.1	7.0	102.2
Aug.	1.2	5.0	19.5	13.8	35.0	11.6	2.4	7.2	7.0	102.7
PERSONS										
1939 : June	12.2	7.9	80.8	14.8	29.7	26.9	15.0	16.6	15.7	219.6
1945 : June	9.9	12.3	145.4	18.3	33.2	31.6	15.9	15.6	19.5	301.7
1947 : June	14.9	14.1	145.1	21.2	42.8	33.8	20.4	20.4	25.9	338.6
1948 : June	15.6	15.1	151.9	21.8	44.8	35.1	22.7	20.7	27.7	355.4
1949 : May †	17.0	16.0	152.4	21.9	45.9	37.1	22.9	21.5	28.3	363.0
1950 : May	17.8	16.3	160.2	22.6	45.1	37.3	23.4	22.0	29.0	373.7
June	17.9	16.3	161.5	22.5	44.7	36.9	23.4	22.1	29.1	374.4
July	18.0	16.2	161.7	22.5	44.7	36.5	23.1	22.3	28.9	373.9
Aug.	17.8	16.2	163.1	22.7	45.1	36.7	22.7	22.3	28.8	375.4
1951 : May	18.5	17.0	165.7	23.5	46.1	37.7	23.8	22.8	28.4	383.5
June	18.5	17.1	165.9	23.6	46.2	37.8	23.5	22.9	28.9	384.4
July	18.5	16.9	166.4	23.7	46.4	37.6	23.4	23.0	28.9	384.8
Aug.	18.5	17.3	166.5	23.8	46.5	37.3	23.5	23.1	28.9	385.4

* See notes preceding Table 3; figures from July, 1949, subject to revision.

† June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

6. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit.†			
	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.
	£ thousand				£			
1944-45	4,642	4,819	4,589	4,835	6.67	6.89	6.54	6.66
1945-46	4,809	4,910	4,817	5,384	6.73	6.90	6.35	6.76
1946-47	5,495	5,949	5,713	6,246	6.69	7.09	6.72	7.23
1947-48	6,480	7,229	6,753	7,419	7.40	8.15	7.58	8.25
1948-49	7,759	8,436	7,730	8,493	8.58	9.24	8.41	9.24
1949-50	7,982	9,394	8,864	9,713	9.01	10.06	9.40	10.23
1950-51	9,989	11,189	11,387	n.y.a.	10.46	11.58	11.75	n.y.a.

* Includes Australian Capital Territory.

† Total wages paid divided by total employment expressed in male units (i.e., total male employment plus 45 per cent. of total female employment).

7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales*

Period	Unemployment Beneficiaries on last Saturday in Period	Benefits Paid during Peri			
		Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
	Number	Amount—£			
Year : 1945-46	1,298	275,205	198,943	1,068	475,216
1946-47	1,400	172,141	258,782	6,772	437,695
1947-48	339	60,499	302,987	14,434	377,920
1948-49	283	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502
1949-50	335	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711
1950-51	246	25,324	296,418	50,303	372,045
1950 : October	243	1,492	22,995	4,008	28,495
November	214	2,085	28,472	5,341	35,898
December	450	1,178	25,239	4,189	30,606
1951 : January	179	3,092	21,270	2,987	27,349
February	170	2,431	24,730	2,036	29,197
March	433	1,476	23,842	2,058	27,376
April	266	2,259	22,512	2,302	27,073
May	261	2,592	23,122	2,425	28,139
June	246	1,924	24,941	8,960	35,825
July	233	1,771	22,012	2,742	26,525
August	102	1,953	23,837	2,997	28,787
September	102	697	20,387	2,459	23,543
October	118	1,142	25,954	3,013	30,109

* Including Australian Capital Territory. † Including payments to in migrants during training for employment.

8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare

Monthly particulars are approximate.

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number	Thousands					
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1945	1,158	222	102	324	653	1,226	1,879
1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
1947	1,328	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950	1,694	138	221	359	326	293	619
1950 : September	158	20	7	27	31	33	64
October	158	19	58	77	32	79	111
November	126	15	41	56	21	87	108
December	46	7	18	25	8	9	17
1951 : January	41	27	34	61	31	42	3
February	112	66	5	71	72	22	94
March	119	40	11	51	44	22	66
April	94	26	1	27	29	8	37
May	147	33	16	49	46	40	86
June	116	14	15	29	21	15	36
July	118	18	11	29	38	21	59
August	155	23	8	31	51	25	76
September	121	18	10	28	26	9	35

9. Broadcast Listeners' Licences in Force in N.S.W.

At end of Month	1939	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
March	427,964	573,205	616,114	702,890	721,625	733,391	750,986
June	433,029	575,864	679,505	699,259	706,452	748,268	753,758
July	433,972	580,747	686,633	703,745	700,434	754,836	831,029
August	431,029	583,172	691,944	703,963	715,066	748,932	835,969
September	432,795	585,985	698,312	704,106	724,031	743,003	845,669
December	441,934	598,643	703,577	710,542	727,918	755,464	

BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Note.—1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.
3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.
4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

10. Value of Building* Approved : Geographical Distribution

Period	Division of Cumberland			Balance of State	Total, N.S.W.
	Metropolis	Balance	Total		
	£ thousand				
PRIVATE BUILDING					
Year : 1946	18,070	6,831	24,901	11,123†	36,024†
1947	20,252	7,944	28,196	13,621	41,817
1948	22,595	10,745	33,340	16,103	49,443
1949	26,869	12,273	39,142	19,781	58,923
1950	37,215	17,916	55,131	26,987	82,118
1950 : Jan.-Sept.	27,223	13,052	40,275	19,429	59,704
1951 : Jan.-Sept.	34,145	15,585	49,730	28,688	78,418
1950 : June	3,482	1,226	4,708	2,267	6,975
July	3,042	1,793	4,835	2,302	7,137
Aug.	3,082	1,694	4,776	2,584	7,360
Sept.	3,425	1,611	5,036	2,264	7,300
1951 : June	3,201	2,093	5,294	2,812	8,106
July	3,672	1,427	5,099	4,553	9,652
Aug.	3,746	1,712	5,458	2,788	8,246
Sept.	2,950	1,597	4,547	2,643	7,190
GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	3,794	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6,445
1947	4,299	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7,322
1948	6,244	1,446	7,690	3,653	11,343
1949	7,550	1,574	9,124	5,120	14,244
1950	8,061	1,739	9,800	7,575	17,375
1950 : Jan.-Sept.	5,837	1,064	6,901	5,399	12,300
1951 : Jan.-Sept.	7,920	3,264	11,184	6,530	17,714
1950 : June	753	52	805	323	1,128
July	823	55	878	770	1,648
Aug.	1,150	90	1,240	368	1,608
Sept.	308	271	579	1,357	1,936
1951 : June	779	629	1,408	1,312	2,720
July	486	289	775	857	1,632
Aug.	1,529	142	1,671	576	2,247
Sept.	1,038	633	1,671	1,479	3,150
PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	21,864	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	42,469†
1947	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139
1948	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1950	45,276	19,655	64,931	34,562	99,493
1950 : Jan.-Sept.	33,060	14,116	47,176	24,828	72,004
1951 : Jan.-Sept.	42,065	18,849	60,914	35,218	96,132
1950 : June	4,235	1,278	5,513	2,590	8,103
July	3,865	1,848	5,713	3,072	8,785
Aug.	4,232	1,784	6,016	2,952	8,968
Sept.	3,733	1,882	5,615	3,621	9,236
1951 : June	3,980	2,722	6,702	4,124	10,826
July	4,158	1,716	5,874	5,410	11,284
Aug.	5,275	1,854	7,129	3,364	10,493
Sept.	3,988	2,230	6,218	4,122	10,340

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

† Partly estimated.

II. Value of Private and Governmental Building* Approved Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
£ thousand							
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND (Includes Metropolis)							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1950	46,009	3,596	129	1,271	6,901	7,025	64,931
1950 : Jan.-September	34,381	2,595	102	934	4,880	4,284	47,176
1951 : Jan. September	39,041	2,725	487	1,181	7,204	10,276	60,914
1950 : July	3,777	237	16	149	1,276	258	5,713
August	4,210	165	64	145	375	1,057	6,016
September	4,057	183	1	135	815	424	5,615
1951 : July	3,974	82	1	112	1,048	657	5,874
August	4,100	452	9	115	637	1,816	7,129
September	3,806	278	1	64	844	1,225	6,218
NEW SOUTH WALES							
Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1950	70,063	4,379	359	2,336	8,619	13,737	99,493
1950 : Jan.-September	52,235	3,175	260	1,605	6,112	8,617	72,004
1951 : Jan.-September	61,576	3,274	959	2,285	11,574	16,464	96,132
1950 : July	6,650	323	90	226	1,902	594	8,785
August	6,548	244	77	246	434	1,419	8,968
September	6,279	226	11	231	858	1,631	9,236
1951 : July	6,801	123	42	315	2,550	1,453	11,284
August	6,512	572	39	230	711	2,429	10,493
September	6,543	311	86	161	899	2,340	10,340

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

12. New House and Flat Building: Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Government				Private and Government			
	Approved *	Com- menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom- pleted †	Approved ‡	Com- menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom- pleted †
HOUSES								
Year: 1947	3,166	3,418	2,462	3,990	27,850	18,873	13,191	17,386
1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,176
1950	3,909	3,739	3,453	4,775	34,929	23,176	19,319	28,133
1950: Mar. Qr.	1,048	1,051	777	4,763	8,691	5,933	4,123	26,086
June Qr.	830	951	827	4,887	8,563	5,049	4,733	26,402
Sept. Qr.	1,094	881	915	4,853	9,210	6,136	4,775	27,763
Dec. Qr.	937	856	934	4,775	8,465	6,058	5,688	28,133
1951: Mar. Qr.	885	874	773	4,876	8,507	6,166	4,417	29,882
June Qr.	1,866	1,195	1,004	5,067	10,122	6,802p	4,891p	31,793p
FLATS								
Year: 1947	350	160	9	204	1,399	712	365	703
1948	729	427	187	444	1,798	1,331	789	1,245
1949	639	630	285	789	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586
1950	505	815	335	1,269	1,869	1,559	969	2,176
1950: Mar. Qr.	178	105	69	825	546	293	232	1,647
June Qr.	94	326	64	1,087	533	536	222	1,961
Sept. Qr.	81	117	69	1,135	347	306	220	2,047
Dec. Qr.	152	267	133	1,269	443	424	295	2,176
1951: Mar. Qr.	74	65	38	1,296	403	253	193	2,236
June Qr.	159	94	86	1,304	491	337	258	2,315

* Contracts let and day labour projects authorised. † At end of period. ‡ Local Government permits to build plus contracts let and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.

13. New South Wales Government Railways : Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Gross Revenue*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons	£ thousand		
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1946-47	261,644	16,539	30,353	25,886	4,467
1947-48	263,047	17,407	36,906	31,015	5,891
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,281	841
1950-51	268,567	17,131	49,448	49,168	280
1950 : July-Sept.	67,177	4,495	10,763	11,105	(—) 342
1951 : July-Sept.	66,454	4,794	13,566	14,138	(—) 572
1950 : July	22,767	1,371	3,196	3,502	(—) 306
Aug.	22,045	1,596	3,778	3,724	54
Sept.	22,365	1,528	3,788	3,878	(—) 90
1951 : July	23,194	1,578	4,438	4,550	(—) 112
Aug.	21,410	1,660	4,640	4,780	(—) 140
Sept.	21,851	1,555	4,488	4,808	(—) 320

* Excludes Government contribution, £800,000 annually, for development of lines. † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included.

‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Railway freight charges were increased from 16th October, 1950, and passenger fares from 1st November, 1950.

14. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses : Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
	£ thousand				
Year : 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1946-47	4,360	1,746	6,106	6,228	(—) 122
1947-48	5,310	2,544	7,854	7,895	(—) 41
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580	161
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(—) 439
1950-51	5,162	5,110	10,272	11,201	(—) 929
1950 : July-Sept.	1,157	1,134	2,291	2,575	(—) 284
1951 : July-Sept.	1,239	1,310	2,549	3,157	(—) 608
1950: July	379	373	752	856	(—) 104
Aug.	391	383	774	881	(—) 107
Sept.	386	378	764	838	(—) 74
1951: July	420	443	863	998	(—) 135
Aug.	409	441	850	1,077	(—) 227
Sept.	410	426	836	1,082	(—) 246

* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£628,890 in year 1950-51).

† Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Fares on Government trams and buses were increased from 9th October, 1950.

15. Port of Sydney : Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)								
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1947-48	2,431	1,719	1,045	512	1,839	141	5,315	2,372
1948-49	2,683	2,162	1,009	535	1,658	115	5,350	2,812
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1950-51	3,851	1,521	892	540	1,781	135	6,524	2,196
1950 : June Qr.	847	483	246	161	466	41	1,559	685
Sept. Qr.	951	394	214	148	464	32	1,629	574
Dec. Qr.	928	493	219	143	449	31	1,596	667
1951 : Mar. Qr.	952	324	192	118	416	37	1,560	479
June Qr.	1,020	310	267	131	452	35	1,739	476
Sept. Qr.	1,050	308	239	131	475	32	1,764	471

16. Motor Vehicles on the Register* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omnibuses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1948 : June	210,506	2,594	3,545	127,413	344,058	30,076	18,317	4,959	397,410
1949 : June	232,837	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1950 : June	269,250	3,254	3,735	159,226	435,465	42,461	24,840	7,738	510,504
July	273,286	3,284	3,763	160,964	441,297	42,683	24,985	7,864	516,829
Aug.	277,295	3,309	3,861	163,035	447,500	42,926	25,107	8,006	523,539
Sept.	280,993	3,329	3,890	165,264	453,476	43,235	25,368	8,168	530,247
1951 : June	308,294	3,363	4,159	181,529	497,345	46,851	28,131	9,328	581,655
July	310,827	3,369	4,275	183,215	501,686	46,954	28,251	9,445	586,336
Aug.	313,730	3,376	4,355	185,035	506,496	47,202	28,500	9,629	591,827
Sept.	316,583	3,375	4,370	186,374	510,702	47,683	28,743	9,774	596,902

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprise : traders' plate : tourist vehicles, and : tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

17. New Motor Vehicles Registered* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omnibuses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1946-47	7,998	7	116	5,487	13,608	2,850	3,204	19,662
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
1950-51	46,689	323	84	29,076	76,172	8,855	5,578	90,605
1950 : July-Sept.	13,698	70	39	7,360	21,167	1,889	1,092	24,148
1951 : July-Sept.	11,187	63	17	6,778	18,045	2,071	1,228	21,344
1950 : July	4,541	16	18	2,097	6,672	588	320	7,580
August	4,715	35	15	2,499	7,264	627	343	8,234
Sept.	4,442	19	6	2,764	7,231	674	429	8,334
1951 : July	3,639	33	8	2,400	6,080	579	365	7,024
August	3,811	18	6	2,441	6,276	682	431	7,389
Sept.	3,737	12	3	1,937	5,689	810	432	6,931

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

18. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorry, Utilities, and Vans				
	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
	Proportion per cent.				Number	Proportion per cent.				Number
Year : 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	...	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712
1946-47	...	53.2	46.8	...	7,998	...	19.3	80.7	...	5,487
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	...	18.3	81.7	...	9,079
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	...	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	...	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1950-51	16.5	67.5	10.1	5.9	46,689	1.9	75.8	21.7	0.6	29,076
1950 : July-Sept.	16.1	69.1	9.5	5.3	13,698	...	75.7	24.0	0.3	7,360
1951 : July-Sept.	19.8	61.0	9.5	9.7	11,187	5.6	69.8	23.6	1.0	6,778
1950 : July	15.5	69.5	9.6	5.4	4,541	...	76.6	22.9	0.5	2,097
August	17.3	68.2	9.3	5.2	4,715	...	75.3	24.4	0.3	2,499
Sept.	15.6	69.6	9.4	5.4	4,442	...	75.4	24.3	0.3	2,764
1951 : July	23.2	58.2	9.4	9.2	3,639	6.2	68.5	24.9	0.4	2,400
August	22.2	61.5	8.5	7.8	3,811	4.7	71.3	23.2	0.8	2,441
Sept.	14.1	63.1	10.8	12.0	3,737	5.9	69.5	22.7	1.9	1,937

19. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1951 Dates)	1942	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
Thousand tons								
1st†	Jan. 27	731	519	859	539	513	714	443
2nd	Feb. 24	933	860	796	918	954	952	876
3rd	Mar. 24	981	913	833	869	929	932	888
4th	Apr. 21	886	859	804	964	908	925	1,052
5th	May 19	1,003	674	773	878	970	1,013	980
6th	June 16	965	906	990	883	926	1,038	1,052
7th	July 14	918	798	992	941	225	923	1,167
8th	Aug. 11	953	846	995	984	109	961	1,157
9th	Sept. 8	1,028	911	994	1,061	1,117	1,144	1,173p
10th	Oct. 6	984	975	979	1,024	1,100	1,051	1,203p
11th	Nov. 3	973	1,017	1,092	696	1,108	1,120	1,259p
12th	Dec. 1	965	976	1,130	1,134	1,182	1,093	
13th†	Dec. 29	886	932	446	830	695	932	
Year : Underground		12,150	10,430	10,724	10,466	9,388	11,197	
Open Cut ...		56	756	959	1,255	1,348	1,601	
Total ...		12,206	11,186	11,683	11,721	10,736	12,798	

Forty-four Weeks ended—

	31st Oct.	26th Oct.	8th Nov.	6th Nov.	5th Nov.	4th Nov.	3rd Nov.
Northern District ...	7,021	6,358	6,780	6,497	5,676	6,997	7,147p
Southern District*	1,940	1,486	1,680	1,563	1,549	2,010	2,125p
Western District ...	1,394	1,434	1,647	1,697	1,634	1,765	1,978p
Total : Underground	n.a.	8,678	9,263	8,699	7,765	9,441	9,420p
Open Cut ...	n.a.	600	844	1,058	1,094	1,331	1,830p
Total ...	10,355	9,278	10,107	9,757	8,859	10,772	11,250p

* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts from 1942 to 1947.

† Miners' mid-summer holidays :

	1942.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
In 1st Period ...	Public holidays	2 weeks	...	1 week	2 weeks	{N-1 wk. S&W-2 wks.}	2 weeks
In 13th Period	only.	...	2 weeks	1 week	{N-2 wks. {S&W-1 wk.}}	1 week	

20. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
January	100	125	165	170	198	218	221	235
February	100	125	181	201	208	227	241	240
March	100	130	185	199	212	231	238	235
April	100	125	189	198	218	222	226	243
May	100	128	192	198	203	229	237	240
June	100	131	197	208	214	189	232	245
July	100	134	195	212	199	118	214	253
August	100	135	195	212	214	173	234	255
September	100	134	201	214	223	228	236	248
October	100	135	203	211	216	224	238	255
November	100	136	200	214	226	239	246	
December	100	131	180	214	222	231	236	
Year	100	131	191	204	213	209	233	

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From July, 1950, all figures are subject to revision.

21. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
	Thousand lb.						
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1946-47	60,385	4,544	38,302	35,310	51,936	27,408	25,958
1947-48	76,066	5,909	46,475	31,614	58,978	30,556	25,480
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	32,104	29,676	24,480
1949-50	82,469	6,333	51,215	28,879	34,549	31,748	32,265
1950-51p	76,873	6,630	44,786	28,138	28,271	31,944	26,842
1950 : July-Sept.	11,325	903	6,383	6,286	6,349	1,248	3,716
1951 : July-Sept.	8,229	313	6,228	6,604	7,981	1,353	7,453
1950 : July	2,738	146	1,240	2,012	2,258	269	1,415
August	3,467	228	1,744	2,155	2,570	433	1,291
September	5,120	529	3,399	2,119	1,521	546	1,010
1951 : July	2,309	98	1,500	2,272	2,548	645	2,301
August	2,672	55	1,996	2,345	3,386	409	3,283
September	3,248	160	2,732	1,987	2,047	299	1,869

Period	Flour	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Malt	Biscuits †
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.		Bushels	Thous. lb.
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	82,706	n.a.	640,915	43,611
1946-47	537,389	98,231	124,334	152,515	158,589	608,650	47,512
1947-48	533,975	97,375	119,840	163,130	138,203	656,696	48,068
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	168,448	153,853	633,741	53,299
1949-50	577,482	98,478	133,294	164,729	154,645	603,615	60,789
1950-51p	675,745	113,790	148,483	163,002	182,606	655,317	68,656
1950 : July-Sept.	176,084	29,232	39,145	41,463	53,835	165,417	17,830
1951 : July-Sept.	174,657	28,568	37,878	n.a.	53,258	188,705	20,659
1950 : July	57,382	9,386	12,789	18,420	17,207	52,710	4,785
August	60,726	10,114	13,410	13,900	16,887	58,628	6,193
September	57,976	9,732	12,946	9,143	19,741	54,079	6,852
1951 : July	66,938	10,823	14,589	23,703	18,279	61,909	6,504
August	56,847r	9,288	12,198	17,633	18,734	65,008	7,653
September	50,872	8,457	11,091	n.a.	16,245	61,788	6,502

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer
	Table	Other		Chocolate	Other	
	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.
Year : 1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988	26,811	33,899
1946-47	9,206	21,570	5,278	28,460	35,169	50,654
1947-48	5,177	27,938	5,852	27,799	34,896	45,626
1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	30,612	33,078	54,104
1949-50	8,457	38,242	7,540	29,827	31,307	54,704
1950-51P	4,762	35,815	7,675	28,011	32,134	62,441
1950 : July-Sept.	530	10,179	1,441	8,651	8,396	15,412
1951 : July-Sept.	2,541	12,289	1,655	8,692	9,372	16,827
1950 : July	246	3,369	315	3,166	2,550	5,236
August	139	3,647	515	3,088	2,969	5,248
September	145	3,163	611	2,397	2,877	4,928
1951 : July	1,001	4,127	438	3,119	3,182	5,571
August	588	4,293	513	2,893	3,333	5,821
September	952	3,869	704	2,680	2,857	5,435

* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

22. Production of Metals, Coal, and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz.	Thousand tons				Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh
Year : 1938-39	88,488	11,196*	1,136†	1,105†	1,168†	10,896	1,948
1946-47	43,607	11,212	1,184†	926†	1,312†	16,744	3,229
1947-48	50,599	11,780	1,366†	1,030†	1,343†	18,093	3,546
1948-49	57,981	11,736	1,130	897	1,129	18,151	3,717
1949-50	47,288	11,290	1,164	1,002	1,266	17,846	3,758
1950-51 p	42,454	12,683	1,488	1,158	1,405	19,674	4,259
950 : July-Sept.	8,546	3,422	395	298	365	5,034	1,121
1951 : July-Sept.	9,155	3,807	420	305	381	5,831	1,185
1950 : July	2,315	1,042	122	88	104	1,607	385
August	2,685	1,229	134	104	125	1,768	381
September	3,546	1,151	139	106	136	1,659	355
1951 : July	2,908	1,270	139	93	111	2,059	406
August	3,055	1,338	144	109	138	1,986	408
September	3,192	1,199	137	103	132	1,786	371

* Year ended 31st December, 1939.

† Year ended 31st May.

‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

23. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies (Excl. Cabins and Conversions)	Pedal Cycles
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.		
Number						
Year : 1938-39	977	1,214	26,671*		5,425	36,416
1946-47	2,803	8,943	82,382*		2,719	30,259
1947-48	2,839	11,165	80,465*	25,533*	3,240	28,567
1948-49	2,343	16,666	184,290	32,338	4,341	27,605
1949-50	2,185	17,288	274,228	26,146	6,646	26,539
1950-51p	2,153	22,132	356,251	33,974	8,492	27,070
1950 : July-Sept.	517	5,491	84,789	9,363	2,056	7,242
1951 : July-Sept.	613	7,097	105,735	9,122	2,556	6,829
1950 : July	156	1,784	25,843	2,771	656	2,445
August	175	1,967	29,568	3,373	710	2,507
September	186	1,740	29,378	3,219	690	2,290
1951 : July	233	2,219	32,810	2,734	900	2,354
August	199	2,475	36,851	3,253	880	2,138
September	181	2,403	36,074	3,135	776	2,337

* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

24. Production of Clothing

Period	Hosiery		Hats (Felt)	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers	
	Women's, Maids' and Girls'	Other			Dress	Work*			
	Dozen pairs				Dozen pairs				
Year :	1938-39	520,127	535,092	135,262	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767	3,107
	1946-47	301,363	284,562	142,781	87,564	16,562	119,560	7,201	3,041
	1947-48	226,683	462,354	140,662	84,945	13,866	104,793	6,250	3,143
	1948-49	188,834	411,453	147,498	116,876	9,727	106,474	6,117	2,804
	1949-50	383,837	374,572	118,724	148,312	11,041	106,610	6,024	2,822
	1950-51p	463,606	415,334	114,626	169,534	14,798	131,125	6,197	2,768
1950 :	July-Sept.	125,764	104,624	21,623	45,061	3,917	34,558	1,670	733
1951 :	July-Sept.	132,187	118,262	19,204	50,452	4,361	38,915	1,790	798
1950 :	July	40,638	30,170	6,916	12,708	1,255	10,247	515	222
	August	42,740	37,697	7,920	16,533	1,298	12,983	580	266
	September	42,386	36,757	6,797	15,820	1,364	11,328	575	245
1951 :	July	43,360	39,494	6,041	13,511	1,241	12,003	570	268
	August	46,153	42,736	7,228	19,229	1,518	14,250	605	266
	September	42,674	36,032	5,935	17,712	1,602	12,662	615	264

* Excluding articles of rubber.

25. Production of Building Materials and Fittings

Period	Sawn Timber (Native)	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
	Mill. sup. ft.	Thousands		Thousand sq. yd.		Tons	
Year: 1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1946-47	300.9	249,533	19,523	230	9,657	3,397	393,397
1947-48	332.6	303,221	21,594	2,841	9,018	3,985	441,023
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,652	8,695	4,415	465,354
1949-50	341.1	300,356	22,124	8,362	8,634	4,171	554,966
1950-51 p	344.1	342,970	21,867	11,000	10,005	4,913	607,669
1950 : July-Sept.	69.8	89,344	5,161	2,721	2,692	1,268	165,040
1951 : July-Sept.	99.9	n.y.a.	5,318	n.y.a.	2,490	1,372	145,868
1950 : July	34.5	25,900	1,492	843	837	391	49,524
August	18.1	32,189	1,733	885	874	422	57,891
September	17.2	31,255	1,936	993	981	455	57,625
1951 : July	36.1	30,753	1,588	1,436	890	452	52,689
August	25.4	33,887	1,872	1,533	651	466	46,234
September	38.4	n.y.a.	1,858	n.y.a.	949	454	46,945

Period	Oil Paint (Ready- Mixed)	Lacquers, Enamels, etc.	Stoves, Domestic Cooking				Gas Meters	
			Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric			
					Stoves	Stovettes Excl. Cookers		
Thousand gal.		Number						
Year: 1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736	4,930		24,619	
1946-47	1,568	1,138	12,033	12,883	31,221		32,675	
1947-48	1,762	1,404	11,748	14,627	8,942	n.a.	43,552	
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	n.a.	44,249	
1949-50	1,914	1,826	10,307	20,723	14,178	23,128	40,847	
1950-51p	2,551	1,960	13,438	26,590	17,251	38,074	39,601	
1950 :	May	162	195	1,260	2,161	1,640	2,310	4,500
	June	149	179	828	1,899	1,468	1,971	3,506
	July	170	154	1,059	1,892	1,354	1,861	2,541
	August	161	198	1,291	2,109	1,610	2,996	4,759
1951 :	May	209	192	1,220	3,656	1,623	4,271	3,060
	June	242	187	968	1,629	1,521	4,305	4,475
	July	234	195	1,130	2,582	1,512	919	2,697
	August	240	212	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	1,538	n.a.

Period	Baths (All types)	Sinks	Bath Heaters			Coppers (complete)		
		Stainless Steel	Solid Fuel and Kerosene	Gas	Electric	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric
			Number					
Year :	1938-39	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	1946-47	n.a.	6,969	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	1947-48	35,219	13,079	35,696	28,337	7,375	n.a.	n.a.
	1948-49	45,646	12,867	35,201	22,414	6,301	58,969	24,256
	1949-50	40,635	18,431	44,127	13,845	7,800	74,271	20,765
	1950-51p	44,956	23,537	38,846	17,252	n.a.	90,771	23,365
1950 :	May	4,507	2,364	4,647	1,472	827	10,725	2,384
	June	3,682	2,383	5,952	1,140	1,090	7,503	1,918
	July	3,687	2,329	4,145	1,207	555	10,518	1,591
	August	4,248	2,351	3,995	2,169	623	7,572	2,271
1951 :	May	4,766	2,031	3,892	1,537	n.a.	5,138	2,508
	June	4,222	1,894	5,076	1,098	n.a.	4,100	1,142
	July	5,120	2,111	5,065	1,543	861	5,118	1,828

26. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators, Household		Wireless Cabinets	Perambulators
	Electric	Gas and Kerosene		
Number				
Year : 1938-39	13,102		133,760	42,282
1946-47	21,567	19,408	196,978	48,859
1947-48	31,985	34,786	213,226	56,201
1948-49	50,995	33,237	180,023	45,754
1949-50	58,283	32,370	222,818	48,410
1950-51 p	86,638	26,675	264,290	54,715
1950 : July-Sept.	19,310	7,476	77,309	11,977
1951 : July-Sept.	24,336	7,837	60,992	19,041
1950 : July	5,459	2,692	26,617	3,225
August	6,976	2,433	26,165	4,449
September	6,875	2,351	24,527	4,303
1951 : July	8,412	2,714	24,805	7,051
August	8,673	2,257	23,737	6,543
September	7,251	2,866	12,450	5,447

Period	Mattresses			Sulphate of Ammonia	Sulphuric Acid
	Wire	Inner Spring	Other		
	Number					Tons
Year : 1938-39	79,140	17,407	n.a.	20,960	85,501
1946-47	59,782	36,296	129,937	22,377	113,572
1947-48	59,491	52,582	181,078	24,611	111,101
1948-49	55,590	85,574	166,699	28,780	94,542
1949-50	69,650	107,057	190,543	32,353	93,763
1950-51 p	68,215	158,028	174,122	36,932	107,775
1950 : July-Sept.	16,942	31,790	44,094	9,926	25,775
1951 : July-Sept.	21,428	37,885	47,278	n.a.	28,649
1950: July	4,573	8,856	12,737	2,799	8,572
August	6,231	10,564	15,614	3,672	8,605
September	6,138	12,370	15,743	3,455	8,598
1951 : July	6,668	13,796	13,796	n.a.	9,830
August	7,422	14,148	17,025	n.a.	9,749
September	7,338	9,941	16,457	n.a.	9,070

Period	Soap				Cleansing and Scouring Powders
	Toilet (incl. Shampoos and Shaving Soap)	Household (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Industrial (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Other (Liquid, Soft and Sand)	
	Cwt.				
Year : 1938-39	107,390	..... 384,103		56,301	28,502
1946-47	188,232	..... 369,906		67,684	65,783
1947-48	228,973	..... 511,658		99,387	61,050
1948-49	219,348	..... 619,492		106,813	58,348
1949-50	227,888	620,561	42,302	102,380	47,468
1950-51p	240,058	631,451	63,622	102,095	49,358
1950 : July-Sept.	48,345	159,078	14,086	28,587	14,252
1951 : July-Sept.	72,288	180,835	15,390	22,355	14,228
1950 : July	15,470	55,061	3,715	9,166	4,728
August	14,722	51,428	4,856	10,712	4,352
September	18,153	52,589	5,515	8,709	5,172
1951 : July	26,134	69,226	5,671	6,588	4,186
August	24,588	55,425	4,870	7,879	5,171
September	21,566	56,184	4,849	7,888	4,871

27. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1950 : March	70	286	437	371	283	50	286	445	354	85	56	340	110
April	236	252	141	168	202	302	238	121	174	138	145	285	159
May	101	113	118	117	112	117	122	107	112	36	101	209	75
June	276	217	89	161	186	235	224	90	143	477	561	306	476
July	365	248	143	307	253	325	230	143	188	476	304	210	398
August	71	121	84	42	86	72	132	79	92	207	205	104	193
September	130	141	94	72	115	109	135	95	107	79	108	106	90
October	322	417	269	392	339	313	353	261	291	192	186	252	198
November	305	373	168	275	276	333	330	157	224	191	285	136	208
December	16	17	67	63	38	11	20	69	49	88	73	37	78
1951 : January	177	145	62	80	120	143	145	56	90	240	375	183	268
February	77	102	134	63	101	82	88	131	114	76	72	190	90
March	86	72	11	20	50	65	74	9	33	125	136	113	126
April	39	51	94	29	59	46	53	91	75	32	31	16	30
May	73	107	129	84	102	68	95	141	120	64	46	87	62
June	142	138	127	154	137	140	140	112	123	223	319	382	268
July	34	83	112	40	74	56	97	114	102	9	29	66	21
August	116	142	143	90	129	125	147	124	130	27	62	191	54
September	74	85	146	111	105	79	90	143	121	20	45	309	63
October	37	51	116	53	69	29	61	106	84	51	52	105	58

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

WOOL

28. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1941-42	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
Sheep ... mill.	48.9	56.7	43.1	46.1	50.4	53.3	54.1
Sheep shorn ... mill.	51.5	58.5	43.1	43.7	48.1	53.6	52.9
Wool produced* mill. lb.	437.1	547.0	432.6	422.3	463.2	515.0	492.1

* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

29. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales

(Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season : 1946-47	922.8	158.2	42.7	1,123.7	34.5	4.6	0.3	39.4
1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1950-51	1,052.4	176.0	51.2	1,279.6	24.6	1.8	0.4	26.8
1950 : July-Oct.	515.5	87.2	26.9	629.6	205.3	50.4	20.5	276.2
1951 : July-Oct.	486.1	100.2	20.8	607.1	236.1	44.3	16.8	297.2
1950 : July	32.4	1.4	0.1	33.9	36.8	2.7	0.2	39.7
August	98.7	12.6	1.9	113.2	75.9	15.4	2.1	93.4
September	182.6	41.5	7.6	231.7	138.3	56.9	9.7	204.9
October	201.8	31.6	17.3	250.7	205.3	50.4	20.5	276.2
1951 : July	51.2	5.6	0.1	56.9	73.2	7.4	0.5	81.1
August	102.3	17.2	0.8	120.3	121.6	24.5	1.4	147.5
September	158.0	32.9	4.6	195.5	163.0	35.8	6.3	205.1
October	174.7	44.5	15.3	234.5	236.1	44.3	16.8	297.2

30. Wool : Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period		Wool Sold					Amount Realised			
		Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured				
Thousand bales *						£ thousand				
Season : 1938-39		1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521
1946-47		889.8	154.1	42.4	1,014.0	72.3	26,906	4,551	1,453	32,910
1947-48		882.2	148.6	47.0	994.8	83.0	42,881	7,556	2,535	52,972
1949-49		925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331
1949-50		1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,587	107,714
1950-51		1,038.6	175.5	50.9	1,194.8	70.2	185,502	32,589	10,113	228,204
1950 :	July-Oct.	321.5	38.1	6.5	332.2	32.9	47,073	5,673	925	53,671
1951 :	July-Oct.	274.0	57.7	4.7	320.4	16.0	26,874	5,745	506	33,125
1950 :	July	7.0	...	...	0.1	6.9	561	...	...	561
	August	59.5	...	...	46.7	12.8	8,047	...	...	8,047
	September	120.2	...	...	114.2	6.0	17,833	...	...	17,833
	October	134.8	38.1	6.5	172.3	7.1	20,632	5,673	925	27,230
1951 :	July	2.5	...	...	...	2.5	349	...	...	349
	August	53.8	...	...	51.6	2.2	4,947	...	...	4,947
	September	116.2	21.7	...	134.2	3.7	9,449	1,582	...	11,031
	October	101.4	36.0	4.7	134.5	7.6	12,129	4,163	506	16,798

* Scoured bales not converted to greasy basis.

31. Prices of Greasy Wool, New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction, New South Wales*	Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month			
			1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52
	Pence per lb.		Pence per lb.			
1938-39	10.3	July	46.5†	45.0†	78.5†	95.0†
1945-46	15.3†	August	46.5†	46.0†	114.5	73.0p
1946-47	23.6	September	47.0	45.0	118.0	66.0p
1947-48	37.9	October	43.5	52.0	118.0	91.0p
1948-49	46.8	December	53.0	60.5	129.0	
1949-50	61.8	March	54.5†	69.5	190.5	
1950-51	145.3	June	45.0	78.5	95.0	

* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Nominal.

32. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1936-37 to 1945-46*	15,875†	4,203,047	3,824,667	49,850,000	13.0
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4
1950-51	14,279	3,441,958	3,328,490	43,273,000	13.0

* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

Returns collected from wheat-growers in April to June, 1951, indicate that the area sown with wheat (for all purposes) in the 1951-52 season will be 3,027,000 acres. The Department of Agriculture forecasted on December 6, 1951, that the yield of grain in 1951-52 would be 41,000,000 bushels.

33. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period*	Australian Wheat Board		Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers§	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat ; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver
	Export Price†‡	Home Consumption Price†‡		For Commercial Export
				(Can.) Cents per bushel
s. d. per bushel				
Season : 1938-39	2 6.1	2 5.9	2 2.8	62.0
1946-47	14 1	3 11.3	10 3.8	244.0
1947-48	19 4.7	6 0.3	13 7.2	287.9
1948-49	15 8.2	6 8	9 2.0p	226.3
1949-50	18 5.8	6 8	10 8.1p	218.6
1950 : November	18 6	6 8		194.2
December	18 6	7 5.5		196.4
1951 : January	18 6	7 10		201.5
February	18 9.6	7 10		213.1
March	19 0	7 10		219.6
April	19 0	7 10		227.1
May	19 0	7 10		229.8
June	19 0	7 10		232.3
July	19 0	7 10		234.8
August	19 0	7 10		235.6
September	19 0	7 10		240.0
October	19 9.3	7 10		239.7

* Yearly averages are for years ended July for Australian export and Canadian wheats, and for years ended November for Australian home consumption wheat. † Basic export selling price for non-contract wheat and wheat in excess of International Wheat Agreement quota; much wheat is sold under contract at fixed prices for delivery over lengthy periods. Current maximum and minimum prices under International Agreement are 16s. 1d. and 13s. 5d. per bushel. ‡ To millers, bulk basis, f.o.r. ports. § Allowing for cost of bags and including Governmental assistance to wheat growers. ¶ For Australian wheat the bases are—Export : 1938-39, weighted average shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide ; 1946-47 to 1948-49, average for bulk and bagged wheat f.o.r. ports ; 1949-50 and later, f.a.q. bulk wheat f.o.b. ; Home Consumption : wholesale price in Sydney for f.a.q. wheat.

34. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period.	Season	July	August	March	April	May	June
Thousand gallons.							
1934-35 to 1938-39*	331,963	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1939-40 to 1943-44*	300,682	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	254,094	15,366	15,951	28,421	22,606	19,393	17,738
1947-48	295,371	16,999	16,074	28,957	23,804	19,905	15,896
1948-49	291,915	15,144	17,306	31,143	25,560	19,874	16,787
1949-50	311,580	15,635	17,693	31,841	24,065	20,630	16,146
1950-51p	297,375	14,568	16,823	27,729	21,421	16,063	13,117
1951-52p		13,596	15,117				

* Annual average.

35. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer †	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.		
1938-39	1 1.2	1 5	1 1	1950 : September	3 0.4	1 11.1
1945-46	1 7.8	1 5.9	1 8.3	October	3 0.4	1 11.1
1946-47	1 11.2	1 5.9	1 8.3	November	3 0.4	1 11.1
1947-48	2 3.3	1 7.5	1 11.9	1951 : September	3 3.1	2 4.7
1948-49	2 7.3	1 11.1	2 1.9	October	3 3.1	2 7.1
1949-50	2 9.6	1 11.1	2 4.5	November	3 3.1	2 9.5
1950-51	3 0.4	1 11.1	‡ 2 7.5p			

* United Kingdom contract price, f.o.b., Australia, except 1938-39, which is Sydney parity of average top price, London, weighted by monthly New South Wales exports. † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years. ‡ The Commonwealth Government has guaranteed a return to the farmer of 3s. 6d. per lb. in 1951-52.

36. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia			Gold Production
	Merchandise						
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	
	£A million f.o.b.						
Year: 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3	14.6
1946-47	93.0	116.5	23.5	208.3	308.9	100.6	9.9
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9	9.7
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0	10.0
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.1	611.6	75.5	12.6
1950-51	301.7	325.6	23.9	741.3r	975.9r	234.6r	13.5
1950 : July-Sept.	71.2	42.4	(—) 28.8	171.5	133.6	(—) 37.9	3.3
1951 : July-Sept.	102.4	40.8	(—) 61.6	255.8	144.9	(—) 110.9	n.y.a.
1950 : July	21.1	15.9	(—) 5.2	50.6	49.0	(—) 1.6	1.0
August	25.4	13.1	(—) 12.3	64.0	38.3	(—) 25.7	1.1
Sept.	24.7	13.4	(—) 11.3	56.9	46.3	(—) 10.6	1.1
1951 : July	32.1	17.9	(—) 14.2	80.7	59.7	(—) 21.0	1.1
August	34.1	10.9	(—) 23.2	80.2	46.1	(—) 34.1	1.2
Sept.	36.2	12.0	(—) 24.2	94.9	39.2	(—) 55.7	n.y.a.

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

37. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

Sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1939-40	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52
	£ million							
July	15.3	22.0	25.7	27.8	35.3	36.2	50.6	69.4
August	16.8	20.2	28.7	32.1	39.7	35.7	53.4	69.8
February	14.6	21.7	26.3	30.3	39.6	49.2	51.4	
March	17.0	22.3	24.2	33.2	35.7	42.3	63.4	
April	17.9	26.9	27.3	33.8	39.9	55.8	70.8	
May	14.8	25.2	30.3	35.6	42.3	54.6	67.5	
June	17.1	23.6	28.0	34.7	37.0	47.4	68.4	
Year ended June	204.3	264.8	320.3	382.5	452.8	537.8	704.6	

38. Retail Trade : Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
Number		Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.						
Year : 1946	301	302	+ 32.2	+ 3.8	+ 28.0	+ 20.0		
1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1950	302	303	+ 16.8	+ 5.6	+ 11.7	+ 0.7		
1950: Apr.	22	22	— 0.3	+ 8.3	+ 3.5	— 3.1	+ 6.2	+ 5.1
May	26	27	+ 14.7	+ 5.8	+ 8.9	— 2.4	+ 7.6	+ 6.2
June	25	25	+ 15.0	+ 3.3	+ 8.9	— 0.8	+ 9.6	+ 7.1
July	26	26	+ 31.1	+ 1.6	+ 17.8	+ 2.9	+ 19.1	+ 11.7
Aug.	27	27	+ 39.1	+ 1.2	+ 14.8	+ 4.9	+ 28.7	+ 13.8
Sept.	26	26	+ 27.9	+ 5.7	+ 16.6	+ 3.7	+ 32.9	+ 16.4
1951: Apr.	22	24	+ 47.7	+ 15.8	+ 29.6	+ 4.4	+ 33.6	+ 30.9
May	27	26	+ 22.8	+ 23.5	+ 38.2	+ 4.9	+ 31.0	+ 33.2
June	25	25	+ 30.5	+ 26.8	+ 34.4	+ 4.5	+ 33.0	+ 34.2
July	26	26	+ 42.2	+ 31.6	+ 36.2	+ 4.2	+ 30.9	+ 36.3
Aug.	27	27	+ 13.6	+ 38.7	+ 33.9	+ 2.7	+ 26.6	+ 34.8
Sept.	26	25	+ 5.0	+ 37.1	+ 26.7	+ 3.1	+ 17.8	+ 32.2

* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 4.

BANKING

From 1st October, 1951, 16 trading banks conduct business in Australia. Of these, 12 operate in New South Wales, comprising the 7 major private trading banks, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W. and 3 overseas banks.

39. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits*	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
MAJOR PRIVATE TRADING BANKS							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1948 : June	716.8	27.5†	45.6	19.1	59.5	293.0	348.8
1949 : June*	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1950 : June	1,004.9	45.8	51.1	20.2	96.5	442.8	427.2
1951 : June	1,237.7	63.2	50.5	32.8	93.0	569.6	509.5
1950 : July	997.8	37.3	49.5	22.9	98.6	430.1	440.5
August	983.4	45.4	51.6	16.0	96.5	441.5	444.1
September	1,002.3	51.1	60.0	18.5	92.9	448.5	449.2
1951 : July	1,204.3	62.1	55.1	24.8	91.1	537.8	527.6
August	1,190.6	61.6	56.3	35.4	81.5	523.0	541.6
September	1,177.3	61.7	54.5	33.5	75.8	519.1	568.5

COMMONWEALTH BANK (OTHER THAN CENTRAL BANKING)

1947 : June	59.4	0.3	6.4	2.1	35.7	...	28.9
1948 : June	61.8	0.3	7.0	0.8	33.6	...	37.9
1949 : June	69.9	11.0	5.9	...	34.4	...	57.7
1950 : June	87.8	15.9	4.9	6.5	29.8	...	95.7
1951 : June	125.1	16.8	7.1	36.9	16.2	...	111.5
1950 : July	89.0	16.3	5.9	6.5	26.8	...	94.3
August	92.7	16.5	5.5	5.7	30.4	...	91.6
September	100.3	16.9	8.0	11.2	32.1	...	96.2
1951 : July	118.7	16.7	6.1	34.5	14.2	...	106.9
August	115.3	17.2	7.4	32.5	10.8	...	105.6
September	114.3	17.0	9.8	30.5	9.4	...	104.5

ALL TRADING BANKS

1947 : June	723.5	3.0	43.1	17.2	127.9	277.2	352.1
1948 : June	800.0	28.6	56.5	21.0	106.4	294.0	424.6
1949 : June*	914.8	61.0	49.1	12.2	111.5	382.8	482.9
1950 : June	1,131.9	62.0	59.4	27.9	139.0	447.8	574.2
1951 : June	1,412.8	80.4	62.6	74.1	124.1	572.6	678.4
1950 : July	1,124.0	53.8	58.3	30.4	136.6	434.3	588.9
August	1,112.6	62.0	59.7	22.7	137.8	445.2	590.1
September	1,141.4	68.1	71.9	30.7	135.8	452.2	600.2
1951 : July	1,371.9	79.1	66.8	61.2	120.4	540.8	692.5
August	1,354.2	79.1	69.0	69.8	107.5	526.0	705.6
September	1,339.0	78.8	68.9	65.8	100.4	522.1	732.1

* Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £9,000,000 in January and £2,600,000 in July, 1949).

† In major private trading banks, the increase after June, 1947, consists mainly of short-term loans from Central Bank.

40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Major Private Trading Banks				Commonwealth Bank*		All Trading Banks	
	Deposits†			Advances†	Deposits	Advances	Deposits†	Advances†
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
	£ million							
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948 : June	197.5	67.9	265.4	142.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1949 : June†	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.5	27.0	358.5	208.6
1950 : June	311.8	82.2	394.0	166.2	49.2	37.5	470.7	242.0
1951 : June	386.0	81.9	467.9	197.9	60.9	47.5	561.6	288.0
1950 : July	306.9	82.1	389.0	170.3	48.8	39.7	463.7	249.8
Aug.	304.1	82.7	386.8	169.7	47.8	41.1	459.8	250.9
Sept.	306.4	82.3	388.7	170.9	50.2	41.2	465.6	252.7
1951 : July	374.1	81.9	456.0	201.9	59.7	49.5	547.8	294.3
Aug.	370.9	82.5	453.4	206.5	59.0	50.3	544.6	299.6†
Sept.	366.7	80.0	446.7	219.1	58.5	50.8	536.6	313.1

* Other than Central Banking.

† Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £5.8 m. in January, and £0.7 m. in July, 1949).

41. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
	Thousand	£ thousand				Thousand	£ thousand
1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1945-46	1,911	191,112	3,801	156,874	236,242	5,467	663,554
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,964	5,728	681,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,062	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,219
1949-50	2,138	201,479	4,208	191,296	258,874	6,105	762,087
1950-51	2,194	253,472	4,405	232,285	284,466	6,307	837,444
1950 : July	2,156	18,206		17,037	260,043	6,150	763,887
August	2,067	17,842		18,865	259,020	5,990	762,379
Sept.	2,077	19,132		18,457	259,696	6,002	766,455
1951 : July	2,202	22,429		21,440	285,455	6,331	841,902
August	2,170	23,517		21,554	287,418	6,266	848,484
Sept.	2,174	20,804		19,341	288,882	6,283	852,392

* At end of period.

Savings Certificates.—The issue of savings certificates ceased on 31st January, 1949. The net amounts outstanding in New South Wales and Australia at various dates were :—

At 30th June	N.S.W.	Australia	End of Month	N.S.W.	Australia
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
1940	2,440	6,100	1950-July	22,086	54,463
1947	21,983	59,526	August	21,815	53,896
1948	25,719	64,483	1951-July	18,823	47,578
1949	25,081	62,198	August	18,573	47,009
1950	22,341	55,025			

42. Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts, New South Wales (Excluding accounts of Australian Governments at city banks)

Period	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52
	Weekly Average—£ million.					
July	56.3	66.6	79.2	91.2	121.3	159.3
August	51.8	60.6	71.0	80.9	109.2	141.9
September	57.1	64.4	77.4	88.0	126.3	153.0
October	57.2	67.8	81.5	99.0	135.5	163.0
November	58.1	72.5	82.0	107.9	147.9	
December	59.4	71.0	87.7	112.2	158.0	
January	51.9	59.6	74.8	96.8	131.6	
February	58.5	72.1	83.5	108.7	161.1	
March	59.9	68.6	83.9	118.6	160.0	
April	59.8	69.7	82.5	108.8	161.1	
May	62.8	75.0	92.8	122.6	167.3	
June	64.3	82.0	97.3	121.2	168.2	
Year	58.1	69.4	83.1	104.9	145.1	

Statistics of "debits" refer to all trading banks operating in New South Wales (excluding central banking business of the Commonwealth Bank) and were first collected in September, 1945.

In previous issues of the Monthly Summary, trends in the amount of payments made by cheque were illustrated by use of statistics of inter-bank clearings, Sydney. The comparability of these statistics was affected by the amalgamation of two major banks from 1st October, 1951.

43. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡			Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis-count)
					Fixed Deposits		Over-draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000	
	Urban	Rural	Short-dated : 2 years	Long-dated : 12 years	3 months	24 months				
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	5.75§	2.00	1.75¶	1.75
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50||	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1947-48	4.4	4.3	2.34	3.17	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	1.00
1948-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949-50	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950-51	4.4	4.3	1.99	3.21	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950 : September	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
October	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
November	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
December	4.4	4.3	1.99	3.17	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1951 : January	4.4	4.3	1.98	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
February	4.4	4.3	2.00	3.21	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
March	4.4	4.4	2.02	3.27	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
April	4.4	4.4	2.00	3.29	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
May	4.4	4.3	2.00	3.24	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
June	4.4	4.3	2.05	3.51	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
July	4.4	4.3	2.03	3.73	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
August	4.4	4.3	2.03	3.82	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
September	4.4	4.4	2.04	3.83	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75

* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown. † Average for year or as at last Wednesday in month. ‡ Estimated by Commonwealth Bank from securities maturing under 5 years (short) and 10 or more years (long). 1938-39 subject to Commonwealth Income Tax rates not exceeding those in 1930, later years to current tax rates. § Rate current at end of period. ¶ Applies to certain banks; later rates are maximum permitted by regulation. || 1½ per cent. to limit of £1,300 until March, 1942. || From December, 1945, rate on first £10,000 of deposits 1.50 per cent., on excess 1 per cent.

44. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Distributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral and Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1949 : Mar.	345.1	288.3	165.2	180.6	464.1	254.6	262.2
June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
Sept.	340.1	289.1	157.8	183.7	473.6	252.1	259.0
Dec.	365.6	295.3	158.1	193.1	497.3	265.9	273.7
1950 : Mar.	389.4	315.2	159.0	202.6	545.4	285.4	285.6
June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
Sept.	419.1	330.4	157.2	254.3	601.6	306.4	310.4
Oct.	429.1	338.5	156.5	249.8	611.2	312.1	315.4
Dec.	468.3	356.8	164.6	279.3	683.6	334.9	334.3
1951 : Mar.	492.4	385.2	168.7	305.2	698.6	350.3	343.3
June	529.8	397.6	167.3	301.6	757.1	366.6	357.0
July	523.0	393.3	166.6	287.7	775.3	363.1	351.4
Aug.	499.6	377.9	160.6	281.4	788.6	350.1	335.8
Sept.	475.2	358.5	154.0	260.8	779.6	333.6	318.6
Oct.	462.2	341.7	157.0	266.0	770.7	326.2	316.4

* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.

45. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Liens†	Livestock Mortgages †
	Number	£ thousand				
Year : 1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1947-48	79,694	60,202	30,924	460	2,100	2,011
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1950-51	108,732	192,311	70,600	309	4,828	3,482
1950 : July-Oct.	38,940	60,016	24,360	169	1,608	978
1951 : July-Oct.	37,998	74,167	28,227	154	1,877	1,666
1950 : August	10,068	15,021	5,380	39	326	186
September	9,639	15,813	5,152	49	387	301
October	8,961	13,941	4,958	38	397	303
1951 : August	9,894	20,742	7,088	56	372	485
September	8,485	17,064	5,494	32	405	326
October	9,236	15,406	8,235	42	266	282

* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated ; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

46. Life Assurance, New South Wales.

(a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year† : 1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1947	98,149	43,268	115,181	10,241	53,509
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949‡	92,446	49,662	114,916	11,430	61,092
1950‡	95,446	59,496	106,559	11,139	70,635
1950 : Jan.-August	58,875	35,143	70,554	7,361	42,504
1951 : Jan.-August	62,060	47,831	63,142	7,224	55,055
1950 : June	8,883	5,557	8,406	880	6,437
July	7,814	4,942	10,709	1,126	6,068
August	8,381	5,331	8,918	925	6,256
1951 : June	9,808	8,400	8,140	939	9,339
July	7,575	6,866	10,214	1,193	8,059
August	9,492	7,564	8,226	984	8,548

* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified). ‡ Total of monthly figures, January to December.

(b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
	£ thousand			
Year : 1947	2,799	789	1,452	5,040
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1950	16,184	1,117	3,873	21,174
1950 : Jan.-August	9,685	682	2,308	12,675
1951 : Jan.-August	13,588	809	3,413	17,810
1950 : June	2,776	92	263	3,131
July	1,627	82	287	1,996
August	1,066	98	280	1,444
1951 : June	1,866	113	489	2,468
July	1,733	88	479	2,300
August	1,673	134	418	2,225

* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included

47. Commonwealth Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE				EXPENDITURE			
July–October				July–October			
Item		1950	1951	Item		1950	1951
		£ thousand				£ thousand	
Taxes—				Social Services*—			
Customs		29,304	38,531	Invalid, Age Pensions		14,329	17,135
Excise		23,452	28,679	Child Endowment		12,149	14,751
Sales		15,886	25,455	Hospital Benefits		1,883	2,341
Income Tax		43,017	88,160	Other		3,784	6,194
Social Services Contribution		22,958	3,394	Total, Social Services*		32,145	40,421
Wool Deduction			13,184	To States—			
Payroll		8,665	11,905	Tax Reimbursements		16,598	31,956
Estate		1,595	2,666	Other		9,966	12,050
Entertainments		1,549	1,932	Capital Works		15,510	30,441
Other		567	901	Post Office†		15,524	19,243
Total Taxes		146,993	214,807	Broadcasting†		1,064	1,171
Post Office		13,496	18,183	Railways†		741	1,011
Broadcasting		746	883	Territories†		2,362	3,265
Railways		571	631	Defence Services		20,841	39,252
Territories		307	531	War Services, 1914-18 & 1939-45†		20,980	16,808
Other		3,342	5,151	Subsidies		8,494	10,996
		165,455	240,186	Debt Charges		26,533	26,740
Primary Production†		11,248	9,457	Other		15,104	20,903
				Primary Production†		11,248	9,457
Total Revenue		176,703	249,643	Total Expenditure		197,110	263,714

* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Self-balancing items.

‡ Excluding debt charges

Expenditure from Loan Fund (other than War and Repatriation which is included above) in the four months ended October consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £6,000,000 in 1950 and £8,440,000 in 1951.

48. New South Wales Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE				EXPENDITURE			
July–October.				July–October.			
Item	1950	1951	£ thousand	Item	1950	1951	£ thousand
From Commonwealth—				Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund			
Towards Interest ...	973	972		and Loan Management ...	6,058	6,495	
Reimbursement of Taxes...	6,796	12,772		Less—Recoups from other (Activ-			
Stamp and Probate Duty ...	13,546	4,060		ities	635	658	
Other Taxes ...	959	1,224		Net Debt Charges ...	5,423	5,837	
Land ...	647	815		Other than Debt Charges—			
Services ...	787	830		Governmental ...	13,822	17,608	
Other ...	12,285	2,721		Business Undertakings ...	18,595	23,630	
Total Governmental	15,993	23,394		Total Expenditure ...	37,840	47,075	
Business Undertakings	17,792	21,930					
Total Revenue ...	33,785	45,324					

Loan Expenditure on works and services during the four months ended October was gross £8,132,000 and net (i.e., gross less repayments to loan account) £7,678,000 in 1950, compared with gross £13,029,000 and net £12,563,000 in 1951.

49. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities constituting at present about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
Σ (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
Σ (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	79	66	101	84	96	82	83
1945-46	117	213	147	196	123	148	146
1947-48	287	420	193	372	146	296	283
1948-49	365	413	233	478	171	348	332
1949-50	473	400	250	421	196	399	383
1950-51	999	432	271	689	209	690	654
1950 : September	890	419	271	675	205	631	599
December	973	437	271	700	208	676	643
1951 : March	1,437	428	271	739	208	912	860
June	717	447	271	751	219	562	535
July	717¶	449	291	842	237	572	544
August	551p	452	291	842	237	490p	468p
September	498p	450	291	862	237	466p	445p

* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, spelter, lead.
sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides.

† Beef, lamb, mutton, pork.

‡ Includes also

§ Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a)

¶ Including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold.

¶ Nominal.

50. Wholesale Price Index : Basic Materials and Foodstuffs

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal, and one or two minor commodities, the index may be deemed to represent movements of wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

From August, 1950, to 30th June, 1951, a bounty was paid on raw wool purchased for local manufacture. The effective price, that is the open market (auction room) price less bounty, has been used in calculating the index numbers in this table.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1938-39	103	82	97	99	103	99	102	101
1945-46	130	152	177	149	135	178	126	141
1947-48	146	283	190	166	153	192	145	159
1948-49	185	342	198	188	175	201	173	181
1949-50	214	434	225	214	198	223	198	205
1950-51	256	641	268	264	232	256	242	246
1950 : Sept.	227	543	245	239	220	242	222	228
1951 : Jan.	258	772	262	271	220	256	238	243
Feb.	266	836	279	283	228	264	249	253
Mar.	280	907	280	294	246	269	268	268
Apr.	280	703	296	286	240	268	258	261
May	289	634	296	285	251	268	266	266
June	289	479	311	278	276	272	279	277
July	288	490	314	283	283r	271	289r	283
Aug.	288	604	316	293	290	274	298	291
Sept.	330	566	320	306	281	276	300	292

* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This Index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

Note.—The four groups of index numbers affected by the price of wool are shown below as calculated on the basis of the open market (auction room) price of raw wool:—

Period	Textiles	Total Basic Materials	Goods Principally Home Produced	Total, All Groups	Month	Textiles	Total Basic Materials	Goods Principally Home Produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1950-51	835	275	249	251					
1950 : Sept.	752	250	230	234	1951 : Mar.	1131	307	276	274
					Apr.	927	299	267	267
1951 : Jan.	996	283	246	249	May	848	297	273	272
Feb.	1060	296	257	259	June	688	290	287	282

51. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100.

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom		Canada	United States	France
	Commonwealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Economist	Dominion Statistician *	Bureau of Labor Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	101	102	100	96	93	95	95	112
1945-46	141	157	159	167	161	132	133	534
1947-48	159	173	174	203	205	175	197	1451
1948-49	181	180	186	218	218	195	199	2032
1949-50	205	184	195	237	235	195	188	2196
1950-51	246	210	216	288	283	224	216	123†
1949 : June	186	179	191	227	221	193	190	1975
Dec.	204	182	194	236	234	193	186	2182
1950 : June	223	199	205	251	251	204	193	†
Sept.	228	201	208	266	268	217	208	103
Dec.	237	205	214	286	282	220	215	112
1951 : Jan.	243	208	216	293	290	227	221	123
Feb.	253	214	218	299	295	233	226	130
Mar.	268	217	221	306	298	236	226	134
Apr.	261	220	224	312	300	236	226	140
May	266	224	230	312	302	236	225	141
June	277	226	233	314	299	237	223	138
July	283	228	235	313	297	238	221	135
Aug.	291	234	237	316	297	236	n.y.a.	134

* New Series

† New Series. Base : 1949=100.

52. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and "All Items")

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "All Items"	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939
						Per cent.
1939 : September	930	1039	941	939	933	..
1943 : June*	1065	1142	1479	1162	1165	25
1945 : June	1040	1143	1410	1163	1141	22
1947 : June	1096	1144	1540	1187	1194	28
1948 : June	1235	1046	1748	1267	1305	40
1949 : June	1384	1048	1980	1347	1425	53
1950 : June	1518	1049	2307	1446	1564	68
September	1599	1050	2373	1473	1613	73
December	1713	1050	2447	1527	1680	80
1951 : March	1826	1051	2541	1565	1749	88
June	1943	1051	2819	1689	1875	101
September	2226	1053	2900	1753	2007	115

(b) Districts of New South Wales ("All Items")

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns†
1939 : September	933	897	943	914	881	930
1943 : June*	1165	1126	1185	1140	1107	1162
1945 : June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1138
1947 : June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1948 : June	1305	1263	1364	1271	1263	1302
1949 : June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
1950 : June	1564	1519	1646	1555	1522	1562
September	1613	1552	1717	1597	1570	1614
December	1680	1628	1790	1664	1641	1678
1951 : March	1749	1724	1834	1739	1707	1748
June	1875	1853	1939	1858	1825	1874
September	2007	1957	2031	1991	1954	2003

* War-time peak.

† Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

53. Basic Wage : Sydney, Adult Males

Month of Change.	s. per week.	Month of Change.	s. per week.	Month of Change.	s. per week.	Month of Change.	s. per week.
1939: June	82	1943: Feb.	98	1946: Aug.	100	1950: Feb.	135
Sept.	81	May	98	Nov.	101	May	138
Dec.	82	Aug.	100	Dec.*	108	Aug.	142
1940: Feb.	82	Nov.	99	1947: Feb.	108	Nov.	146
May	83	1944: Feb.	99	May	110	Dec.*	165
Aug.	85	May	99	Aug.	110	1951: Feb.	173
Nov.	85	Aug.	99	Nov.	112	May	180
1941: Feb.	88	Nov.	99	1948: Feb.	114	Aug.	193
May	88	1945: Feb.	99	May	116	Nov.	207
Aug.	89	May	98	Aug.	120		
Nov.	89	Aug.	98	Nov.	122		
1942: Feb.	91	Nov.	99	1949: Feb.	124		
May	93	1946: Feb.	99	May	127		
Aug.	95	May	99	Aug.	130		
Nov.	97			Nov.	132		

* As a result of judgments of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court, special increases were awarded: in December, 1946, 7s. and in December, 1950, 19s.

Female Wages.—The minimum wage per week payable (Sydney) to adult females was:—

1950: Dec. 123s. 6d.

1951: Aug. 144s. 6d.

1951: Feb. 129s. 6d.

Nov. 155s. 0d.(r)

May 135s. 0d.

54. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate.				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number			
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†	Adult Males	Adult Females
1939 : Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945 : Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1947 : June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3103	41.1	41.8
1948 : June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3403	40.0	40.0
Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949 : June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950 : Mar.	174.8	109.4	3410	4028	40.0	40.0
June	179.3	114.3	3499	4207	40.0	40.0
Sept.	184.5	115.9	3600	4265	40.0	40.0
Dec.	209.5	139.9	4088	5151	40.0	40.0
1951 : Mar.	216.7	144.2	4228	5308	40.0	40.0
June	228.6	151.0	4461	5559	40.0	40.0
Sept.	240.2p	156.0p	4686p	5742p	40.0	40.0

* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000.

† Base. Weighted average for

Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

‡ Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947.

§ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth awards from 1st January, 1948.

55. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Australia on—	Quotation	1938-39	1946	1949	1950	1951
		Average	June	June	June	October
London ...	£A to £stg.100	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25
New Zealand ...	£A to £N.Z.100	100.33	100.25	124.27	124.27	124.27
South Africa ...	£A. to £S.A.100	124.70	124.88	124.88	124.88	124.88
Montreal ...	Can. \$ to £A.1	3.79	3.54	3.22	2.46	2.35
New York ...	U.S. \$ to £A.1	3.78	3.22	3.22	2.24	2.24
France ...	francs to £A.1	141.75	383.24	875.85	782.44	782.44
Belgium ...	francs to £A.1	111.58	141.02	141.02	111.78	111.78
India ...	rupees to £A.1	10.69	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.64